

## **BMOI Meeting Minutes**

Thurs, July 17, 7pm

Gavin/Fenton Residence

Present: Phoebe Smedley, Amy Gavin, Kellie Prall, Dan Adams, Dave Peterson, Douglas Carlson, Chris Murdy, Brian Gunning, Margo Melendez, Kit Preo, Rosalie Dinenberg, Joyce Smink, Marsha Dennis

### **COMMUNITY INPUT**

Tennis Concerns (Rosalie Dinenberg and Joyce Smink): Rosalie and Joyce expressed concerns about the length and timing of court repairs at the beach courts and the resulting move of league play to Harlow Park to accommodate junior tennis. The courts should be completed in the next week and the schedules should return to normal at that time.

Trustee Update (Marsha Dennis): Town business is largely focused around the SW Plaza annexation. GPP will be hosting a series of meetings to discuss. Watch your mailboxes and the bowmar blast for more information, or contact a Trustee with comments, concerns, or questions.

### **BEACH MANAGER'S REPORT – Kit Preo**

Kit is working with Weston to repair light fixtures at the beach. The blob on the tramp is broken. Kit has a repair, but needs to find time to remove the tramp from the water to patch. Kit is concerned about hosting a concert on Labor Day weekend with a limited guard staff. Dave will call a plumber to try to fix the water fountain.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT - Kellie Prall**

John Wallace made donations to BMOI for parties he hosted – that did not require a fee. Thanks, John! Kellie has been fact-finding regarding creation of a 501(c)3 for use in soliciting tax-deductible donations for BMOI projects and had a meeting with Brian Jumps, Bow Mar neighbor and attorney, to discuss creation this entity. At this time, there are many challenges to making this happen but Kellie will continue to research options.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Long Range Marina Planning: We are expecting some conceptual designs/ideas, but they have been delayed. We hope to have them for the August meeting.

Pancake Breakfast: This will be held August 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:30, following the race at 8:30.

Newcomers will prepare a breakfast for their new neighbors. This is a fun long-standing tradition in Bow Mar. If you are a new family please call Amy or Phoebe to discuss the morning activities. This is a great way to meet neighbors!

SW Plaza: If approved, BMOI will need to do some work on the bylaws to ensure that membership remains with the traditional houses/footprint.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Beach Manager Replacement: We are looking for a replacement for next year. It may be necessary to separate the beach/lifeguard manager and property manager responsibilities. Dave will draft a position announcement for the bulletin and circulation by membership.

Car Show: Braden Thomas is hosting a car show on the morning of the pancake breakfast, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Watch the bulletin for info on how to get your classic car or hot rod included.

Pontoon Boat Recommendations: Thanks to the pontoon committee for submitting a list of recommendations on best practices for Bow Mar pontoon boats. The board is reviewing these and will follow up with the committee. The recommendations will be voted on and implemented for the 2015 boating season.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beach Operations: The gate is being re-keyed. Additional private property signs have been ordered. Some trees need to be planted and trimmed after the latest wind storm. Dave will follow up with Kit on closing the gates on Sundays after the band sets up.

ACC: ACC is working to make the compliance process more uniform and transparent. They will coordinate with the town on streamlining surveys and permitting. The committee is also considering hiring a landscape architect to assist with the review of landscape plans.

Social: Please remember summer weekends are busy so we don't take any reservations for the beach, even for member gatherings. We would request large member gatherings try to meet during week nights. Several large parties were approved by the board – check the bowmar.gov calendar for the latest schedule. We need to clarify how we are charging for parties - \$5 per person over 20 participants. Amy will develop a more clear structure and have it ready for next year's party season.

Landscape and Beautification: Mowing is behind – lots of rain has impacted growth vs. budget. Dan is monitoring and trying to balance the situation. The beach sprinkler system is being patched for this summer, but we will look into a full revamp with the marina project. Trees near the beach courts are dying. We will get an arborist to give us another opinion. If they will die, we'll need to remove the trees over the winter and will pull a team together to recommend new trees to plant in the spring.

Beach Security: On busy days we should do more to monitor the ins and outs – like at concerts or large events. We will have the lifeguards close gates when possible.

#### CLUB REPORTS

Swimming: It was a successful year for the Sharks! See the bulletin announcement for all the details on the season.

*Please check the bowmar.gov calendar and BMOI web pages for important dates and reference materials.*

**2014 Board Meeting Schedule:** August 21 -Prall, September 18 –Carlson, October 16 - Smedley